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SUBJ/NAVY UNIFORMS//

GENTEXT/REMARKS/1. THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS HAS APPROVED THE FOLLOWING REVISION TO NAVY RELIGIOUS DRESS AND APPEARANCE PRACTICES. THESE CHANGES ARE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL BE REFLECTED IN THE NEXT CHANGE TO UNIFORM REGULATIONS.

2. FOR CLARIFICATION PURPOSES, REVISIONS TO NAVY UNIFORM REGULATIONS, ARTICLE 6405 ARE QUOTED BELOW IN THEIR ENTIRETY. (R) INDICATES REVISION.

6405. RELIGIOUS DRESS AND APPEARANCE PRACTICES

1. DEFINITION OF RELIGIOUS APPAREL. RELIGIOUS APPAREL IS DEFINED AS ARTICLES OF CLOTHING WORN AS PART OF THE DOCTRINAL OR TRADITIONAL OBSERVANCE OF THE RELIGIOUS FAITH PRACTICED BY THE MEMBER. HAIR AND GROOMING PRACTICES REQUIRED OR OBSERVED BY RELIGIOUS GROUPS ARE NOT INCLUDED WITHIN THE MEANING OF RELIGIOUS APPAREL.

(R) 2. NORMAL DUTY HOURS. RELIGIOUS ITEMS OR ARTICLES NOT VISIBLE OR OTHERWISE APPARENT MAY BE WORN WITH THE UNIFORM, PROVIDED THEY DO NOT INTERFERE WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF THE MEMBER'S MILITARY DUTIES, OR INTERFERE WITH THE PROPER WEARING OF ANY AUTHORIZED ARTICLE OF THE UNIFORM.

3. ORGANIZED WORSHIP SERVICES. NAVY PERSONNEL MAY WEAR ANY REQUIRED RELIGIOUS APPAREL DISTINCT TO THEIR FAITH GROUP WITH THE UNIFORM WHILE IN ATTENDANCE AT ORGANIZED WORSHIP SERVICES.

4. CHAPLAINS. CHAPLAINS HAVE THE OPTION OF WEARING THEIR UNIFORM WHEN CONDUCTING WORSHIP SERVICES AND DURING THE PERFORMANCE OF RITES AND RITUALS DISTINCT TO THEIR FAITH GROUPS. CHAPLAINS CONDUCTING SUCH SERVICES, RITES AND RITUALS, MAY WEAR ANY RELIGIOUS APPAREL REQUIRED BY THEIR FAITH GROUPS.

5. JEWELRY. JEWELRY BEARING RELIGIOUS INSCRIPTIONS OR OTHERWISE INDICATING RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION OF BELIEF MAY BE WORN SUBJECT TO THE SAME UNIFORM REGULATIONS PRESCRIBED FOR JEWELRY THAT IS NOT OF A RELIGIOUS NATURE.

6. RELIGIOUS ITEMS DURING CEREMONIAL DETAILS. VISIBLE ITEMS OF RELIGIOUS APPAREL SHALL NOT BE WORN WHILE WEARING HISTORICAL OR CEREMONIAL UNIFORMS; PARTICIPATING IN REVIEW FORMATIONS, PARADES, HONOR OR COLOR GUARDS, OR SIMILAR CEREMONIAL DETAILS AND FUNCTIONS.

(R) 7. RELIGIOUS HEADGEAR. NAVY PERSONNEL MAY WEAR RELIGIOUS HEADGEAR WHILE IN UNIFORM IF THE HEADGEAR MEETS THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA.

A. IT MUST BE BLACK OR HAIR COLORED;

B. IT MUST BE OF A STYLE AND SIZE THAT CAN BE COMPLETELY

COVERED BY STANDARD MILITARY HEADGEAR;

C. IT CANNOT INTERFERE WITH THE PROPER WEAR OR FUNCTIONING OF PROTECTIVE CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT;

D. IT CANNOT BEAR ANY WRITING, SYMBOLS, OR PICTURES;

E. IT WILL NOT BE WORN IN PLACE OF MILITARY HEADGEAR WHEN MILITARY HEADGEAR IS REQUIRED (OUTDOORS, OR INDOORS WHEN REQUIRED FOR DUTIES OR CEREMONIES).

3. FILE THIS NAVADMIN WITH U.S. NAVY UNIFORM REGULATIONS, NAVPERS 15665. REVISIONS WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE JUL 04 QUARTERLY BUPERS DIRECTIVE CD-ROM CHANGE. NAVY UNIFORM REGULATIONS CAN BE ACCESSED AT
[WWW.BUPERSCD.TECHNOLOGY.NAVY.MIL/BUP_UPDT/508/UNIREG/UREGMENU.H](http://WWW.BUPERSCD.TECHNOLOGY.NAVY.MIL/BUP_UPDT/508/UNIREG/UREGMENU.HTML)
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